

Scott Masten

Subject: testing on animals

Date: Friday, October 15, 2004 6:25 PM

From: Nancy Shinn <nancy_shinn@yahoo.com>

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>

Cc: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

October 12, 2004

Dear Mr. Masten:

Please please don't poison animals again this year! We realize we have no power to stop you but you are using our tax dollars in crude and outdated testing for chemical toxicity on animals causing needless misery and suffering. It is so horrible to have people nominate chemicals to test on little animals. Do you get the names and addresses of these sadists? Do you enjoy reading the results of the suffering caused by turpentine and antifreeze? Is that why you test them yearly? This is insane! And it spells death for many thousands of little animals. Where is your compassion? Where is your mind?

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Animals are not test tubes with whiskers. We demand that you not waste our hard-earned tax dollars on useless irrelevant and repetitive animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Very sincerely yours,

Nancy & George Shinn
Ellen and Frank Cassianna
Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Quinn

Barbara & John MacKay

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Subject: Animal Tests

Date: Friday, October 15, 2004 5:59 PM

From: Schufbros@aol.com

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>

Cc: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Olden,

Please stop your cruel testing on animals. Sometime in the near future you will look as ignorant and backward as doctors who used bloodletting to cure disease. Raise your consciousness; we are all (including animals) connected.

Sincerely,

Mark Schufman

Scott Masten

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Subject: <no subject>

Date: Friday, October 15, 2004 4:48 PM

From: Becky Garrity <becbott@hotmail.com>

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

I am writing to ask you to please stop NTP dated experiments on animals. animals are not machines for NTP to use as it likes, experiments on animals don't work and have been proven so, nothing NTP does or says will help anybody including those animals that live in suffering every day. Pleas pull the plug on these unnecessary tests, and let the animals live a life worth living away from the place they call hell on earth. animals aren't made for people any more than blacks are for whites or women for men. show compassion and stop these horrific disgusting tests. if you wouldn't do it to a person you shouldn't do it to an animal, being forced to breath in toxic gasses every day is no life at all, you would hate it if it was happening to you so why make it happen to another living creature.

Animals are not machines, now do something to help every one, stop these vile, disgusting tests.

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Subject: request

Date: Friday, October 15, 2004 1:38 PM

From: Christina Babst <seamusminnie@hotmail.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dr. Scott Masten

Office of Chemical Nomination and Selection

National Toxicology Program

National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences

Dear Sir,

We need your help!

In June of this year the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination recommended extensive animal testing of a variety of plastics and foodstuffs, many of which have already been evaluated in animal studies. These further studies are unnecessary, and will only bring suffering and death to the animals tested. Please reverse your decision to go ahead with these tests.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Christina Babst

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Subject: National Toxicology Program

Date: Friday, October 15, 2004 4:35 PM

From: MDMOKS1@aol.com

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

I am writing in opposition to the decision to conduct anual toxicology tests on animals. These tests are crude and provide little useful information. Force feeding high doses of a substance to a small animal does little to replicate the reaction an accidental encounter that a human may have. Many of these proposed tests are for substances that have been used safely for generations as dietary suppliments. Other tests focus on products that are already known to be toxic. Neither of these types of tests are necessary and subject thousands of animals to cruel conditions and death.

I strongly urge you to reconsider the decision to test these products, and limit or eliminate animal testing in the future.

---Allison Harper
Fairfax VA

Scott Masten

Subject: <no subject>

Date: Friday, October 15, 2004 3:40 PM

From: Campbell, Kim <campbelk@toysrus.com>

To: "'masten@niehs.nih.gov'" <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Masten,

I am writing to you today to ask you to the end the testing of newborn primates performed by the National Toxicology Program. I have read about some of the chemical toxicity tests planned for the future and I believe these tests are completely unnecessary and very wasteful of taxpayers' money.

Several of the tests have already been performed on animals. Please understand that animals must endure much suffering and misery as a result of these tests, while many of the tests won't produce any new or helpful outcomes.

For instance, a proposal was issued to conduct extensive animal testing of plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements, such as grapeseed and pine bark extracts. Also there are proposals to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze. Furthermore, the Environmental Protection Agency nominated "perfluorinated compounds" for extensive study, including cancer and reproduction testing, on the basis of "presumed" widespread human exposure, despite the fact that large amounts of human and animal toxicity data are already available for these chemicals.

I implore you to please consider the well-being of the animals that must be subjected to these painful and useless tests.

As a United States citizen and as a taxpayer I would prefer my hard earned tax dollars to be spent on chemical tests that have never been performed before. I would very much like for tests to be performed in which animals are not used whatsoever. Let us move forward and ahead and seek out ways to perform tests where animals don't have to undergo such pain, fear, misery and ultimately death.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Kimberly T. Campbell

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Scott Masten

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Subject: Poisons

Date: Friday, October 15, 2004 1:06 PM

From: Mike Masishin <mikemasi@icdc.com>

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Ask the NTP to Pull the Plug on Poisoning Tests on Newborn Primates

The NTP's latest testing recommendations spell suffering and death to many thousands of animals.

Your voice can make a difference for animals! Please, animals are not test tubes with whiskers. I request that you pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thank you.

Scott Masten

Subject: Chemical toxicity testing

Date: Friday, October 15, 2004 9:42 AM

From: Kim Ay <kfox1215@hotmail.com>

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

To Drs Olden and Masten,

I respectfully request that no chemical testing be done on the newborn primates. Please rethink this idea. It's torture. It's unnecessary. It's unthinkable.

Thank you!

Kimberly Ay, RN

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Scott Masten

Subject: animal experiments in 2004?

Date: Friday, October 15, 2004 3:36 AM

From: Gsrean@wmconnect.com

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Hello: What are you thinking? Animal tests using chemicals in 2004 in the name of scientific research? There are more feasible and constructive testing using ultrasound, computer models and positive electronic tomography, besides cell cultures and human tissue studies. Please re-examine your methods and for the sake of the animals and human decency, make the necessary and drastic changes that will give us hope for the future; not the shame and dread that presently engulfs you and your associates. Thanks. Sincerely, Gwen R. or
gsrean@wmconnect.com.

October 12, 2004

Dr. Scott Masten

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Rec'd 10/15/04

Each year, the National Toxicology Program (NTP) spends millions of tax dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity, and this year is no exception, the latest testing recommendations including:

- The Food and Drug Administration nominated Di-(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (a chemical used in plastic IV bags) for studies of reproductive, immune, and other effects that would involve injection of the substance into newborn male rats and nonhuman primates.
- The Environmental Protection Agency nominated "perfluorinated compounds" for extensive study, including cancer and reproduction testing, on the basis of "presumed" widespread human exposure, despite the fact that large amounts of human and animal toxicity data are already available for these chemicals.
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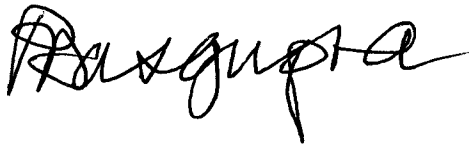
Animals are not test tubes, so I urge you to pull the plug on these unnecessary animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. Thank you for your kind attention.

Sincerely,

Miss Poornima Dasgupta

8 Edgemont Circle

Scarsdale, NY 10583



October 13, 2004

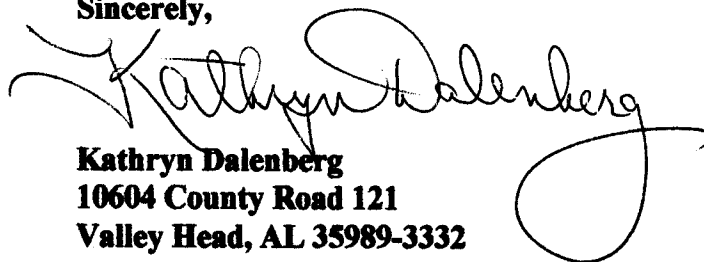
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Rec'd 10/15/04

Attention Dr. Masten,

I am contacting you regarding animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. Testing on animals is immoral and unethical. Information obtained by subjecting animals to unnatural stressful conditions and circumstances cannot be extrapolated to humans. Computers and the internet provide unlimited access to information related to the toxicity of substances. So why is money wasted on torturing animals? I do not want my tax dollars spent on useless wasteful tests.

Sincerely,


**Kathryn Dalenberg
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The Mills Family
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Rec'd 10/15/04

Date: October 12, 2004
Re: Chemical Tests

Dear Dr. Masten:

These so-called chemical tests are crude and totally meaningless for the fact that, animal testing has NEVER benefited mankind in any way. The very notion that animal testing will bring forth any kind of positive results in human favor is completely ridiculous! NO animal experiments have ever helped human beings in any way. In case you don't know, animals differ from humans in many crucial ways, such as physically, biologically, and physiologically, just to name a few. Animal experimentation is invalid, and any real scientist, with an education, already knows this most significant and vital information. Many individuals who call themselves "scientists", along with their affiliates, stand to financially profit from this charade called "animal experimentation". Unfortunately they all remain preoccupied with federal grants that are taken from hard working peoples tax money, rather than actually helping the human cause.

Additionally, experimenting on certain species of animals such as primates creates a major negative impact on the very survival of primate species, which are currently dwindling near extinction. Let us NOT be responsible for the extinction of yet another species of animal, because we will pay a very high price, and future generations (our children) will suffer the consequences. **ALL** animals belong in their natural habitats, NOT in cages waiting to die. Animal experimentation is NOT only a crime against humanity, but a crime against animals as well.

Furthermore, Let me assure you, this issue has nothing to do with the LOVE of animals, but rather the very survival of mankind. Dr. Masten, this extremely crucial matter **MUST** be addressed immediately! Help to make a positive effect on our future, and not contribute to its destruction.

It is beyond our comprehension how anyone can choose such a disastrous line of work for both animals and humans. We need to advance and learn more about human ailments by continuing the study of what affects humans and **NOT** animals. **Therefore, I along with many others who share the same interests request that these so called "tests" are immediately terminated for the very survival of mankind!**

It is time to abolish the medieval ritual of animal experimentation once and for all!

A response regarding this matter is very much appreciated. However, we respectfully request that you do not respond with the tired old line that, laws require these tests, or alternatives do NOT exist. Many companies have already adapted humane solutions by practicing alternatives to animal experimentation.

Sincerely,



The Mills Family

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Rec'd 10/15/04

Oct. 13, 2004

Amelia Nelson
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Dear Dr. Kenneth Olden,

I am disgusted by the National Toxicology Program for spending millions of tax dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity.

These proposed tests do nothing but cause needless suffering and death to animals.

Especially true because many of the chemicals proposed to be tested already have large amounts of human and animal toxicity data available and many of the proposed chemicals have been used by humans for years with no negative side effects.

Duplicate testing of chemicals such as turpentine and antifreeze shows a complete lack of caring and empathy for suffering and pain. These chemicals are known to be deadly and a horrible way to die. Why subject defenseless creatures to this horror when it is absolutely not needed.

Please put a stop to these cruel and unnecessary tests and remember that animals are not test tubes but feeling suffering creatures who have no voice to defend themselves from these horrors.

Sincerely,

Amelia Nelson

Amelia Nelson

Christine Houben
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October 12th, 2004

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Rec'd 10/15/04

Dear Dr. Masten,

Each year, the National Toxicology Program (NTP) spends millions of tax dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity. What's worse is that the NTP actively encourages people to nominate chemicals that they would like to see tested on animals. This has led to a veritable laundry list of ill-conceived NTP testing recommendations, including proposals to conduct extensive animal testing of plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements (e.g., grape seed and pine bark extracts), as well as proposals to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze.

True to form, the NTP's latest testing recommendations spell suffering and death to many thousands of animals:

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I am writing today to remind you that animals are not test tubes with whiskers, as well as to demand that your agency pulls the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

I thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Christine Houben
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October 7, 2004

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Dear Dr. Masten,

I am concerned that the NTP encourages citizens to nominate chemicals they would like to have tested on animals, and that these suggestions, many of which are absurd, have actually led to a list of proposed tests. For example, the proposal to test plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements (e.g., grape seed and pine bark extracts) is a waste of money. And what of the proposals to retest the already well-known hazards of substances like turpentine and antifreeze? So many of the proposed tests are redundant, and worse, most involve testing on animals which is problematic on many fronts. The physiological differences between humans and other species make it impossible to safely apply the results of animal tests to humans. Animal testing is also expensive, far more so than more modern methods such as in vitro testing and computer modeling techniques. And of course, animal testing causes severe distress, pain, and anguish for animals, which is morally objectionable to say the least.

I am strongly requesting that the NTP pull the plug on the animal tests that were recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,


Tracey Laszloffy

Recd 10/15/04

Dear Mr. Marden:

Animals are not test tubes with whiskers. They suffer & feel pain. These tests are crude & they are out dated.

Please save the pain, please save my tax dollars, please use common sense. Pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the National Toxicology Program Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation & Coordination.

Sincerely,

Harriet Bulhiser